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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the final Office Action dated August 30, 2004, of which this response is within the shortened three month statutory period for response, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.